

Chickens and Eggs

The value of eggs produced in Utah during 2000 totaled \$25.8 million, 34 percent above the 1999 level. Total production, at 712 million eggs, was up 37 percent from 1999. The average price of eggs was 43.4 cents per dozen, 0.9 cents below 1999. The average number of layers during 2000 was 2.7 million, up 41 percent from the 1999 level. Eggs produced per layer was 263

compared with 272 for 1999. Pounds of chicken sold (primarily cull laying hens) at 4.4 million decreased 2.5 percent from 1999. The average price per pound of chickens sold was 2.0 cents compared with 3.3 cents in 1999. The value of chickens sold in 2000 was \$87,000, down 41 percent from 1999.

Layers and Eggs: Number, Production and Value of Production, Utah, 1993-2000 ^{1/}

Year	Average Number of Layers	Eggs per Layer ^{2/}	Total Egg Production	Price per Dozen	Value of Production
	1,000 Head	Number	Millions	Dollars	1,000 Dollars
1993	2,001	249	498	0.570	23,655
1994	1,885	260	491	0.451	18,453
1995	1,950	263	513	0.471	20,135
1996	1,746	266	464	0.566	21,885
1997	1,819	266	483	0.576	23,184
1998	1,824	262	478	0.520	20,713
1999	1,913	272	521	0.443	19,234
2000	2,704	263	712	0.434	25,751

^{1/} Estimates cover the 12 month period, December 1 previous year, through November 30. ^{2/} Total egg production divided by average number of layers on hand.

Utah Egg Production and Price 1993-2000

